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In re Application of

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In X-Ray Scanning Apparatus

DECISION

This is in response to applicants' correspondence filed on 24 July 2007.

DISCUSSION

In response to the correspondence filed on 01 May 2007, a decision was mailed on 25 June 2007, stating in part that

... applicants have provided a declaration document nominating and signed by the same inventive entity as was listed on the published international application. However, inspection of said declaration reveals that it appears to have been assembled by compiling separate sheets signed by each inventor so as to arrive at the complete document. In this regard, counsel' attention is drawn to MPEP 201.03, which states in part that

While each inventor need not execute the same oath or declaration, each oath or declaration executed by an inventor must contain a complete listing of all inventors so as to clearly indicate what each inventor believes to be the appropriate inventive entity. Where individual declarations are executed, they must be submitted as individual declarations rather than combined into one declaration. For example, where the inventive entity is A and B, a declaration may not be executed only by A naming only A as the inventor and a different declaration may not be executed only by B naming only B as the inventor, which two declarations are then combined into one declaration with a first page of boiler plate, a second page with A's signature, and a second page with B's signature (so that it appears that the declaration was executed with the entire inventive entity appearing in the declaration when it did not).

In view of the policy explained above, it would not be appropriate to accept the declaration document at this time.

Applicants have now filed a declaration document which complies with the requirements of 37 CFR 1.497(a) and (b).

CONCLUSION

The declaration filed on 24 July 2007 is **ACCEPTED**.

This application is being forwarded to the National Stage Processing Branch for further processing. Its date under 35 U.S.C. 371(c)(1), (2) and (4) is 24 July 2007.

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